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| In re Application of Reilley |) | Group Art Unit: 1754 |
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| Filed: September 17, 1999 |) | |
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| For: "Synthesis of Condensed Phases |) | |
| Containing Polycyclic Aromatic |) | |
| Hydrocarbons, Fullerenes, and |) | |
| Nanotubes" |) | |

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2000, please consider the provisional election under restriction requirement below.

REMARKS

Claims 1-45 are currently pending in the application.

The Office Action states that "Claims 1-45 are generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising the materials of NIST Publication 22. Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species (for example 'C60 fullerene'), even though this requirement is traversed. . . . Applicant should indicate the claims which include the elected material."